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SUBJECT: ICELAND IMPORT RESTRICTIONS

REFERENCE: GENEVA 6726

1. ICELAND'S IMPORT RESTRICTIONS WILL BE WITHOUT GATT
ARTICLE XII JUSTIFICATION IN THE EVENT OF IMF EXECUTIVE
BOARD DETERMINATION THAT THOSE RESTRICTIONS NO LONGER
WARRANTED ON BALANCE-OF-PAYMENTS GROUNDS. REFTTEL INDICATES
THAT ICELAND WILL SEEK TO RETAIN QUOTA RESTRICTIONS ON OIL
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AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

2. MISSION OFFICERS SHOULD REPLY TO INQUIRIES BY ICELAND PERMREP BY MAKING FOLLOWING POINTS: (A) DISINVOCATION OF GATT ARTICLE XII COVER WILL LEAVE ICELAND'S REMAINING QUOTA RESTRICTIONS CLEARLY IN VIOLATION OF GATT. (B) U.S. PREFERENCE IS FOR ONE YEAR WAIVER COVERAGE OF ITEMS WHICH ICELAND NOT PRESENTLY IN POSITION TO REGULARIZE. FOR ITEMS INTENDED TO BE LIBERALIZED BY JANUARY 1, 1975 A REAFFIRMATION OF THIS INTENTION WITH REVIEW OF SITUATION AS OF THAT DATE IS PREFERRED.

3. PARA 2 REPRESENTS PRELIMINARY THINKING OF WASHINGTON AGENCIES. FINAL US POSITION FOR COUNCIL MEETING CAN ONLY BE FORMULATED IN LIGHT OF CIRCUMSTANCES AT THAT TIME. KISSINGER

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